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In the Specification:

Kindly amend the specification as indicated.

Please amend the abstract as follows:

Pacifier for receiving a cartridge (2)-containing flavour substances for oral intake. The pacifier comprises a base part (3)-with a cartridge chamber-(3d), a nipple-(4), at least one flow channel (5)-between the cartridge chamber and at least one hole (8)-that is communicating with the flow channel (5)-in the nipple. The flow channel (5)-is formed in the nipple-(4).

After the title, please add the following paragraph:

This application claims first priority to Norwegian Patent Application No. 2002 6068, filed on December 17, 2002, in the Norwegian language, and the United States was timely specified as an Elected Country in the PCT Patent Application No. PCT/NO2003/000053 filed on February 12, 2003, which is explicitly incorporated by reference as if set forth below.

Page 1, lines 3-5, please amend as follows:

The present invention relates to a pacifier with means for the insertion of a cartridge containing flavoured substances that are to be ingested orally, in accordance with the preamble of elaim 1 below.

Page 2, lines 1-4, please amend as follows:

US <u>5123915</u> <u>5,123,915</u> describes a pacifier adapted to receive a capsule containing medicine. When the capsule is inserted into a chamber in the rear end of the pacifier, the capsule will be punctured and the medicine will drip into the cavity of the actual nipple. From here the infant can suck the medicine out through a hole in the end of the nipple.

Page 2, lines 6-13, please amend as follows:

It is quite possible that this pacifier is highly suitable for administering medicines. The medicine will be administered to the infant relatively quickly. However, it is not suitable for the purpose of the present invention, namely to comfort the infant by giving him flavoured substances over a sufficiently long period of time. If flavoured substances were fed to the infant via the pacifier in US 5123915–5,123,915, the substance would be consumed within a very short time. After this, the infant would not have had the same comfort from the pacifier and might also be disappointed over the lack of taste and spit the pacifier out.

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Page 2, lines 21-25, please amend as follows:

Other known pacifiers made for administering medicines and/or flavoured substances are described in US 404950-404,950, US 745920-745,920, US 3875940-3,875,940 and US 4192307 4,192,307. All these pacifiers have drawbacks, the first three because the administration takes place over too short a time and the last-mentioned because it is only capable of administering solid substances.

Page 3, line 7, please amend as follows:

This is achieved by the features as disclosed in the characterising clause of claim 1 of the present invention.

After line 12 on Page 5, please add the following paragraph:

Persons of ordinary skill in the art will realize that the following disclosure is illustrative only and not in any way limiting. Other embodiments of the invention will readily suggest themselves to such skilled persons having the benefit of this disclosure.

Page 5, lines 26-33; Page 6, lines 1-4, please amend as follows:

In the chamber-3d of the chamber part 3b, there is space for a cartridge 2. The cartridge is replaceable and is preferably a single-use cartridge. The cartridge 2 is best shown in Figure 5. The cartridge 2 is preferably made of a rigid material, for example, a plastic material suitable for use with foods. It has an opening 2a at its upper end. This opening is preferably covered by a tear-off sheet or foil (not shown) or a sheet or foil that can be pierced by a piercing means (not shown) arranged on the inside of the cap 9-1. This piercing means may be a hollow piercing means which comprises the air hole 9. The opening 2a may also be smaller than shown, as there may be a hole of a certain size in an upper end wall. In a first embodiment of the cartridge 2, it has an upper chamber 2b of large diameter and a lower chamber 2c of small diameter. At the lower end, the cartridge has an outlet hole 2d. This may also be equipped with a tear-off sheet or a sheet (not shown) that can be pierced by a piercing means. The sheet may be of metal or plastic.

After line 25 on Page 7, please add the following paragraph:

While the invention has been described with reference to an exemplary embodiment, it will be understood by those skilled in the art that various changes may be made and equivalents may be substituted for elements thereof without departing from the scope of the invention. In addition, many modifications may be made to adapt a particular situation or material to the teachings without departing from the essential scope thereof. Therefore, it is intended that the invention not be limited

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to the particular embodiment disclosed as the best mode contemplated for carrying out this invention.